NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A FORWARD OPERATING BASE, U.S. BORDER PATROL (USBP) DEMING STATION, LUNA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

The public is hereby notified by USBP of the availability of the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and draft Finding of No Significant Impact by USBP for the construction of a Forward Operating Base near Columbus, New Mexico. The location for the Proposed Action Alternative is a 20-acre site adjacent to New Mexico Highway 9, approximately 25 miles west of Columbus, Luna County, New Mexico. The draft EA will be available for review at the Marshall Memorial Library in Deming, New Mexico from April 29, 2008 through May 29, 2008. It is also available for review and downloading from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Albuquerque District's Internet web page at the following url address: http://spa.usace.army.mil/ under documents for public review/comments.

For additional information or to provide comments, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Firebaugh, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Military and IAS PM Branch, 4101 Jefferson Plaza NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico or by FAX at 505-342-3490. Comments must be received by May 29, 2008.